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E A S T E R N I L L I N O I S U N I V E R S I T Y

FACULTY SENATE

Minutes of November 6, 1973

MEMBERS PRESENT: Maurer, Wiseman, Katsimpalis, Doughty, Price, Owens, Weidner,
Knott, Trank, MacLaren, Johnson, Shuff, Murray

MEMBERS ABSENT: North, Hackler

FACULTY VISITORS: G. Rommel

STUDENT VISITORS: Craig Sanders

The minutes of October 30, 1973 were approved as published.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Shuff reported on the Budget Committee meeting. It was reported that it is being recommended that \$30,000 for sabbaticals be included in the operating FY '75 budget. It was also reported that the FY '75 budget recommendation include \$291,060 for graduate assistants.
2. Maurer reported that conversations with President Fite indicated that he was sympathetic to the Senate's position of opposing a reduction in sick leave benefits.
3. Memorandum from W. Lowell concerning student membership on CAA.
4. Report of Academic Information for Fall 1973 from Vice President Moody.
5. Student Senate request for faculty appointments to Student Faculty Boards. J. Knott was asked to study the request.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Wiseman reported on the vote for the Faculty Senate constitutional amendment Article 5, Section 4. The vote was 166 Yes for the amendment and 43 No against the amendment. The Senate approved the report. This means that the amendment has been approved and is in effect.
2. G. Rommel joined the Senate to discuss the Council of Faculties system-wide poll on Collective Bargaining. System wide the poll resulted in a 60% return of Ballots. Of the sixty percent returned, seventy three percent approved Collective Bargaining, fourteen percent opposed Collective Bargaining and eleven percent were undecided. After receiving the report on the vote, the Senate turned to a discussion with Rommel concerning what the Council of Faculties expected to do with the results. Of prime importance was whether or not the Council of Faculties expected to plan the organization of a system-wide Collective

Bargaining agency. Rommel's reply was that the C. of F. had no plans at the present time.

The C. of F. will now turn to their local campuses for attitudes on collective bargaining and means as to how collective bargaining might be accomplished. (See Appendix A for the results of the informational poll on Collective Bargaining.) (See Appendix B for the rest of G. Rommel's report)

3. President Fite joined the Senate to discuss the Senate's discussion of 30 October, 1973 for a secretary to the Faculty. The Senate called for executive session in order to continue discussion of the subject. After the executive session the Senate approved placing the proposal on the agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 1550.

Robert C. Wiseman
Faculty Senate Secretary

AGENDA

1. Budget Committee functions.
2. Special Senate Committee on Tenure.
3. Improvement of Instruction.
4. Saltmarsh's proposal on Institutional Renewal. (Tabled)
5. Student request for increased student membership on CAA. (Tabled)
6. Proposal for a secretary to the Faculty.

Next Senate meeting 13 November, 1973, in the Wabash Embrassas, University Union.

APPENDIX A

Board of Governors' Faculty Informational Polling on System-wide
Collective Bargaining Conducted by Council of Faculties
October, 1973

Institution	No. Ballots Distributed	No. Ballots Returned	Approve	Oppose	Undecided	Unmarked or Spoiled
Eastern Ill. U.	580	265 (45%)	176 (66%)	60 (23%)	28 (11%)	1
Chicago State U.	260	190 (73+%)	181 (95+%)	5 (2.6%)	4 (2.1%)	0
Governors State U.	106	74 (70%)	47 (63%)	17 (24%)	10 (13+%)	0
Northeastern Ill. U.	384	218 (57%)	158 (72%)	22 (10%)	22 (10%)	16 (8%)
Western Illinois U.	711	473 (66%)	323 (69%)	72 (15%)	78 (16+%)	0
	2041	1220 (60%)	885 (73%)	176 (14+%)	142 (11%)	

Reported to Council of Faculties, November 5, 1973. Percentages in a few cases raised to next full percent when above a half percent.

The Faculty is invited to send their reactions to the results of this informational poll to either Professors Soderberg, Crane, or Rommel, our Council of Faculties Representatives.

APPENDIX B

To: R. Wiseman, Sec'y., Faculty Senate
From: G. Rommel, Council of Faculties
Subject: Report of November 3,4, 1973, meeting of Council of Faculties

BOG Bylaws: The reference to sick leave days as calendar days has been changed to work days, according to the request made to the BOG, in order to make policy conform with practice in the BOG schools. The COF also asked that the number of vacation days for administrators, including holidays, remain unchanged.

Student representation on the Board of Governors raises the issue of adequate faculty representation, especially at executive sessions of the Board. The COF seeks to have its chairman in closer relationship to the Board if not a full member of the Board as are the five non-voting student members of the Board. The very low percentage of students who voted for a student BOG representative from this campus was cause for other COF representatives to want to watch their campus student BOG representative elections, for if the students have little concern about the matter then why the special membership on the Board?

The COF has requested a cost-of-living adjustment to salaries for the FY 75 budget in addition to any funds for merit raises.

Dr. Margaret Soderberg presented the data from the collective bargaining informational poll. The COF considered that perhaps a larger percentage of responses could be encouraged through some sort of educational campaign so that more than 60% would return a ballot. The COF is not favoring any one group even itself to represent the five campuses in collective bargaining. That all lies ahead. The role of the COF is to represent faculty views.

The COF Chairman, Dr. Donald Douglas, GSU, will write to the faculty senates to seek their views about establishing a legislative body as part of the BOG. The purposes and composition thereof would be discussed.